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off Cape Terskiy Orlov

(N67-12, E41-20). was a powerful searchlight. Morezhovets Island (N66-38, E42-30) was on the south. On the northwest spit of this island was a conspicuous beacon, a high wooden structure with a white, round top. Cape Abramov (N66-24, E43-16) could be rounded only at high water.

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3. a floating bridge on the west bank of the Mezen River near a large sawmill. the floating bridge is laid out only in the summer, and is withdrawn when ice is drifting.

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4. Alongside a second floating bridge was a steamer of about 1,000 GRT taking on lumber. Two other ships lay at anchor in the river waiting for a free berth at the floating bridge.

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5. Mezen consists of some single-story wooden buildings on the east bank of the river. No military installations or Soviet war vessels

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6. a small Soviet passenger steamer of about 600 GRT ferried workmen, women, and horses from Mezen at regular intervals. The steamer

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left Mezen in the morning and returned with workers on the following evening. [redacted]

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